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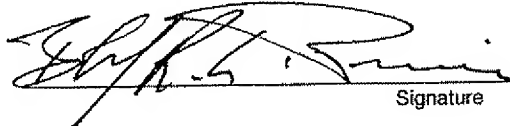
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## **TRANSMITTAL OF TERMINAL DISCLAIMER**

Dear Sir:

As requested by the Examiner, Applicants transmit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer executed by an attorney of record in the above-identified application.

As this Disclaimer is intended to replace the previously filed disclaimer (which included payment of the Terminal disclaimer fee under 37 CFR 1.20(d)) which was objected to as not being signed by an attorney of record, it is believed that no additional fee is required for this Disclaimer. However, the Director is authorized to charge any

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Respectfully submitted,

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